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PSC Reschedules Paducah Videoconference in Big Rivers Rate Case

Henderson, Owensboro, Brandenburg meetings still set for Thursday

FRANKFORT, Ky. (June 11, 2013) – The Kentucky Public Service Commission (PSC) has rescheduled a videoconference in Paducah that will allow members of the public to provide comments on a request by Big Rivers Electric Corp. to increase rates.

Public meetings scheduled for Henderson and Owensboro on Thursday, June 13, will be held as previously announced, as will a concurrent videoconference in Brandenburg.

The Paducah videoconference is being rescheduled in order to avoid a conflict with the annual meeting of Jackson Purchase Energy Corp., which is one of three distribution cooperatives that own and receive power from Big Rivers.

Jackson Purchase Energy requested the change.

The videoconference originally was scheduled to coincide with the Owensboro meeting. The scheduling of that meeting was in turn determined by the availability of commissioners and the schedule in the Big Rivers rate case.

"At the time the meetings were being planned, the PSC was unaware of the conflict with the Jackson Purchase Energy meeting," PSC Chairman David Armstrong said. "We hope Jackson Purchase Energy members will now attend both their meeting and the PSC videoconference."

The videoconference is now scheduled for:

Paducah

Tuesday, June 18, 2013, 5:30 p.m. CDT

Crounse Hall Room 228
West Kentucky Community & Technical College
4810 Alben Barkley Drive

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Public comments will follow.

The public meetings and Brandenburg videoconference will be held at the following previously announced times and locations:

Henderson

Thursday, June 13, 2013, 1 p.m. CDT Auditorium, South Middle School 800 South Alves St.

Owensboro

Thursday, June 13, 2013, 5:30 p.m. CDT Room 107, Advanced Technology Center Owensboro Community & Technical College 4800 New Hartford Road

Brandenburg

Thursday, June 13, 2013, 6:30 p.m. EDT Auditorium, Meade County High School 938 Old State Road

For those unable to attend the meetings, the informational presentation will be made available on the PSC website, psc.ky.gov, on the morning of June 13. A video recording of the meetings also will be available on the website.

The Big Rivers application and related documents are available on the PSC website. The case number is 2012-00535.

In addition to the public meetings, the PSC will conduct a formal evidentiary hearing in the case beginning at 10 a.m. EDT on Monday, July 1. The hearing will be held at the PSC offices at 211 Sower Boulevard in Frankfort. It will be open to the public and may be viewed live on the PSC website.

Written comments will be accepted through the conclusion of the evidentiary hearing. They may be mailed to the PSC at P.O. Box 615, Frankfort, KY 40602, faxed to 502-564-9625, e-mailed from the PSC website or submitted in person at the public meetings or at the PSC offices.

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